

State of Alaska FY2005 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Health and Social Services Community Developmental Disabilities Grants Component Budget Summary

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Component: Community Developmental Disabilities Grants**Contribution to Department's Mission**

The mission of the Developmental Disabilities Grants component is to improve and enhance the quality of life for consumers impacted by developmental disabilities.

Core Services

The Community Developmental Disabilities Grants program provides assistance to eligible Alaskans with a developmental disability as defined in AS 47.80.900. In FY2003 approximately 3,200 consumers were served with Community Developmental Disabilities Grants. Approximately 1,233 remain on the waitlist.

CORE SERVICES are basic supports or services that address a specific family's needs to reduce the need for long-term care. Although the plan for these services can be flexible, the funding for this service is limited to \$3,000 per person per year.

SHORT-TERM ASSISTANCE and REFERRAL services are limited supports or assistance (for 90 days or less) to avert a crisis or engage the recipient in generic public benefit programs for which they are eligible. Short-term assistance and referral services are available through local organizations in each census area.

MINI-GRANTS are one-time awards to individuals to meet unfilled health and safety needs.

INDIVIDUALIZED SERVICES are various direct services intended to meet a person's habilitation needs as defined by AS 47.80.900. An Individual Annual Plan is developed with the consumer and their family or guardian that defines the services the person is to receive and the goals and objectives of those the services. Depending on a person's level of need, the plan may include one or more of the services listed below:

- CARE COORDINATION is provided by certified care coordinators. Care coordinators assist people with developmental disabilities in gaining access to needed medical, social, educational, and other services. Care coordination services include screening, assessment, care plan development, and care plan implementation.
- CHORE SERVICES are defined as housekeeping and other assistance necessary to maintain a consumer's home in a clean, sanitary and safe condition. These services are funded when necessary to avoid placing the consumer in an out-of-home or institutional setting.
- ENVIRONMENTAL MODIFICATIONS are physical adaptations to a consumer's home, identified in a consumer's plan of care and necessary to insure the health, welfare, and safety of the consumer. These adaptations must enable the consumer to function with greater independence, and must be provided by a certified environmental modifications provider.
- RESIDENTIAL HABILITATION SERVICES assist a consumer to acquire, retain, and improve self-help, socialization, and adaptive skills necessary to reside successfully in home and community-based settings of his or her choice. Training takes place during normal daily routines and is designed to enhance the abilities, competencies, and functional life skills of the consumer. Residential Habilitation services could also be defined as full-time, out-of-home care, with a qualified adult or family. These services are provided in licensed homes but do not require the natural family to give up custody or parental rights.
- RESPITE CARE provides relief from the everyday stress of caring for a family member with a developmental disability. Respite care services can be provided in a variety of settings, including the consumer's home. Alternate care providers, trained in first aid, CPR, behavior and physical management and other skills specific to the consumer's needs, provide respite care. Respite care cannot be used to replace the services provided by regular childcare or adult day care except for short-term, emergency situations. Respite services alleviate stress on the family and may forestall or prevent out-of-home placements.
- SPECIALIZED ADAPTIVE EQUIPMENT and supplies are provided for consumers to increase their abilities to

perform activities of daily living. These include equipment and supplies that assist consumers to perceive, control, or communicate with the environment where they live. These include only items that are of direct medical or remedial benefit to the consumer.

- **VOCATIONAL SERVICES** train people with developmental disabilities in jobs that are matched with the individual's skills and abilities. Consumers participate in the development of the training plan, and job training takes place in an income-producing environment. All consumers are paid for their work.

FY2005 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results

FY2005 Component Budget: \$9,289,700

Personnel:

Full time	0
Part time	0
Total	0

Key Component Challenges

Continuing Issues:

In Alaska, two Medicaid waivers exist as a mechanism for funding community-based services for Medicaid eligible developmentally disabled persons, in lieu of their institutionalization. The Division has been awarded a three-year, \$1.3 million "Real Choice Systems Change" federal grant to streamline consumers' access to Medicaid waiver services, implement a self-directed service delivery system, and integrate care coordination between the waiver programs.

In FY2005, the division will be implementing new regulations governing developmental disabilities Medicaid waivers.

The remaining developmental disabilities service costs are funded through the Division's Community Developmental Disabilities Grants program. In addition to the waiver regulations development above, Division staff are crafting a developmental disabilities grants program regulatory and policy framework that establishes uniform procedures and standards for major program functions and services.

In general, the developmental disabilities program is focusing on financial accountability. The Division will conduct a program cost study and implement the cost containment measures under the new proposed Medicaid Waiver regulations.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2005

General fund refinancing is being proposed that will require the division to give technical assistance to Native Entities in Medicaid billings. The reductions are being made under the assumption that the Native Entities will continue to provide the services as IHS 638 hospitals and collect 100% federal funds through Medicaid.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2003

In FY2003, over 2,200 individuals were served under the developmental disabilities programs. Services were delivered in over 100 communities by 35 nonprofit grantee agencies.

Core Services were provided to over 385 consumers as interim assistance to those on the Waitlist.

The Division implemented a standardized assessment for Medicaid Waiver eligibility.

Grantees benefited from a \$470,000 Capital Appropriation, the "Developmental Disabilities Systems Reform Initiative," to expand capacity to serve new individuals.

227 consumers were selected from the Waitlist for more comprehensive services in FY2003.

Care Coordination training was improved and a new family training curriculum was provided.

Levels of care were initiated within the developmental disabilities service program.

The Waitlist was reduced by over 600 names through a waitlist survey which identified individuals who moved out-of-state, had passed away, or whose contact information was no longer valid/up to date.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

AS 47.80	Persons with Disabilities
7 AAC 78	Grant Programs
PL 100 - 203	OBRA '87
7 AAC 43.1010 - 1990	Eligibility for the Home and Community-Based Waiver Services

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Community Developmental Disabilities Grants Component Financial Summary

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2003 Actuals	FY2004 Authorized	FY2005 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
72000 Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0
73000 Contractual	703.8	421.7	421.7
74000 Supplies	0.0	0.0	0.0
75000 Equipment	0.0	0.0	0.0
76000 Land/Buildings	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Claims	18,731.3	9,894.9	8,868.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	19,435.1	10,316.6	9,289.7
Funding Sources:			
1002 Federal Receipts	121.6	185.1	185.1
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts	663.2	652.4	652.4
1037 General Fund / Mental Health	18,284.0	9,054.7	8,054.7
1092 Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized Receipts	366.3	424.4	397.5
Funding Totals	19,435.1	10,316.6	9,289.7

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2003 Actuals	FY2004 Authorized	FY2005 Governor
Unrestricted Revenues				
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Total		0.0	0.0	0.0
Restricted Revenues				
Federal Receipts	51010	121.6	185.1	185.1
Interagency Receipts	51015	663.2	652.4	652.4
Restricted Total		784.8	837.5	837.5
Total Estimated Revenues		784.8	837.5	837.5

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2004 Authorized to FY2005 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2004 Authorized	9,054.7	185.1	1,076.8	10,316.6
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-Transfer GF/MH to Senior and Disabilities Administration	-500.0	0.0	0.0	-500.0
Proposed budget decreases:				
-Medicaid Tribal Refinancing of Developmental Disabilities grants	-500.0	0.0	0.0	-500.0
-Adjust MHTAAR funding	0.0	0.0	-26.9	-26.9
FY2005 Governor	8,054.7	185.1	1,049.9	9,289.7